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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Change the title to read -- ARRANGEMENT FOR REDUCING OR DESTROYING GERMS IN BODY CAVITIES OF LIVING ORGANISMS --.

Before paragraph [0001], add the heading --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

Before paragraph [0004], add the heading --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Amend the following paragraphs:

[0004] -- The following invention is now based on the object to find an arrangement of the afore-stated type without straining the <u>human</u> organism for preventing as far as possible the occurrence of <u>biological</u> infections or, if present, to treat them, or to realize a germ reduction or to at least prevent the reproduction of pathogenic germs.--.

[0005] -- The object is attained in accordance with the invention by implementing the arrangement in the form of a shaped body which is introduced into the body cavities and contacts the surrounding tissue and which is made of a medically acceptable metal, especially fine silver. Silver has a bacteriostatic or bactericide effect as a consequence of its oligodynamic action, wherein sterile silver promotes granulation within the body cavities, when a wound is treated, and excessive liquid loss.--.

--When used in the vagina, the shaped body rests advantageously with its outer perimeter upon the inner wall of the vagina for the bactericide effect to take hold. In this way, the bacteriostatic or bactericide material can act directly without harming the organism. The shaped body may hereby be configured as hollow body, in particular as hollow hemisphere or spiral, to thereby simplify insertion on one hand and to enable a slight weight of the arrangement according to the invention on the other hand. Finally, a thread or a flexible wire, in particular

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silver wire, may be attached to the shaped body for recapturing the shaped body from the body cavity so that handling, in particular cleansing <u>and disinfection</u> of the arrangement according to the invention is facilitated.--.

Before paragraph [0007], add the heading --BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING--.

Before paragraph [0012], add the heading --DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.

Page 4, after the heading "CLAIMS" and before the first claim add --What is claimed is:--.